

How is the Slovenian Research Agency addressing the COVID-19 pandemic?

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MEASURES INTRODUCED BY THE AGENCY U1_{ARRS}: Questionnaire on research potential during the COVID-19 pandemic Purpose: to inform the general public and the highest-level decision-makers about research potential based on the collected data as well as to enable the integration and clustering of such potential. [Launched: 20/3/2020, first publication of results: 26/3/2020] U2_{ARRS}: Support for the extension and/or adaptation of the thematic areas of research programmes within the existing scope of research Purpose: the possibility of adapting the content of the research orientations of research programmes to direct or indirect research related to the COVID-19 pandemic. [Informing leaders: 31/3/2020] U3_{ARRS}: Joint dedicated call under the umbrella of the Leading Agency (FWF) with partners Purpose: dedicated projects of researchers within effective international partnerships; partners: <u>FWF</u> – Austria (Leading Agency role), <u>GACR</u> – Czech Republic, <u>FNR</u> – Luxembourg, DFG – Germany, NCN – Poland, SNSF – Switzerland. [Publication: 17/4/2020, the call will be permanently open; deadline for applications: 30/9/2020] U4_{ARRS}: Public call for applications to increase the funding of research programmes related to the COVID-19 pandemic Purpose: a new mechanism to increase the scope of research programmes addressing the COVID-19 pandemic. [Publication: 2/6/2020, Publication of results: November 2020]



U5_{ARRS}: Large-scale integrative project – planned

Purpose: to address broader issues arising from phenomena such as the COVID-19 pandemic in the form of interinstitutional integrated project teams; basis: substantive guidelines of the competent ministry.

[Publication expected as part of the public tender for co-financing research projects for 2021, autumn 2020]

U6_{ARRS}: CRP – dedicated targeted research programme

Purpose: implementation of targeted research programmes monitoring phenomena similar to the COVID-19 pandemic; public tender prepared in cooperation with Ministry of Health, Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Education, Science and Sport.

[7 research projects selected for financing, starting on 1.10.2020]

Note: The implementation of the planned activities depends on the pandemic situation, the preparation of the relevant acts, the coordination with the competent authorities and the available human resources while carrying out other regular activities of the Agency.